

## Thanksgiving Takes Top Billing At USOs Next Week

It will be "Happy Thanksgiving to You" for all GIs at nearby USOs next week. . . . Over at Albany they're jumping gun and will celebrate Tuesday night with a big formal dinner—the first of the season at the club. . . . Both Corvallis and Albany will have homes to which you may go for a home-cooked dinner. IF you're reasonably sure of getting a pass that day.

### Corvallis Offers Free Thanksgiving Dinners

Men who want their Thanksgiving dinner "family style" may register at the Corvallis USO and be entertained in Corvallis homes, club officials report. Men are asked to register as soon as possible at the main office of the USO. Both noon and evening meals will be available.

### MISS HEHNKE SELECTED Tenth Girl of the Week to be Selected at the Corvallis USO

Miss Beula Hehnke She was presented a gold USO pin at the Wednesday-night dance at which she was introduced, and her picture was joined those of the other Girls of the Week in the Hall of Fame. A graduate of Corvallis High School, Miss Hehnke attended Oregon State for three years, majoring in secretarial science, and is now employed at the County Clerk's Office.

She is blonde, has brown eyes and is 23 years old. She spends considerable time at USO and Camp dances, also assisting with informal activities in the club, and is well known to men of Adair.

### Free Turkey Dinner

Yes, turkey's scarce, but you're going to have it at the George White Servicemen's Center on Thanksgiving Day if you drop in there for dinner. All the trimmings for a regular Thanksgiving Day dinner are promised.

In the evening there'll be a big Harvest Festival - Thanksgiving Dance. Remember the date, next Thursday.

### THEY'LL WRAP THEM!

Remember how the George White Servicemen's Center wrapped your Christmas packages last year? Well, the Monday after Thanksgiving Day they'll be at it again. It's a completely free service, and cards, ribbon, wrappings, twine and paper for mailing will all be furnished.

### Thanksgiving Formal

Thanksgiving will be celebrated Tuesday night (instead of Thursday) at the Albany USO, with the first formal of the season on tap. The 70th Division Rhumba Orchestra will provide the swing for the occasion, and Albany Junior Hostesses will be on hand.

Refreshments and punch will be served, and the club will be decorated in keeping with the Thanksgiving theme.

### BEGINNING DANCE CLASS

And then in case you can't dance, here's your chance to learn, for the Albany USO is sponsoring a "beginning" ballroom dancing class each Thursday night. Junior Hostesses will be your partners.

### QUIZ PROGRAM ON AGAIN!

Truth and Consequences, omitted from the schedule last week, is back at the Albany USO club again Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Free prizes will be given to winners and losers alike.

### When Do You Dance?

Special dances continue at the Salem Chemeketa Street USO, with different military units making

reservations for Tuesday nights. Saturday night dances with military orchestras are also popular, as plenty of GSO members are on hand as Junior Hostesses.

Other nights are not crowded but there is always dancing to popular dance bands a la juke box, with room to try out new steps and learn new routines.

### TRIP TO CAPITOL

The sightseeing trip Sunday afternoon will be to the Oregon State Capitol, leaving Chemeketa Street USO, Salem, at 2:30 p.m.

### THANKSGIVING DINNER

Servicemen who have registered for Thanksgiving dinner in Salem homes will meet their hosts at the Chemeketa Street USO at hours previously arranged.

### MUSICAL PROGRAM

A musical program, prepared by the Salem USO advisory music committee, will be a feature Sunday at Chemeketa USO. Townspeople will be invited to join servicemen from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

### IT'S THE ARMY WAY

Ft. Logan, Col. (CNS)—Before Irving Gold was drafted he was a civilian instructor at the Army Air Forces clerical school here. His salary was \$216 a month. After his induction as a private he was assigned to his old job. His salary — \$50 a month.

### SWAPS COLUMN

Losts — Founds  
Wants — Sales  
et cetera

LOST: From McMinnville, Nov. 7, golden cocker spaniel, child's pet. Answers to "Peggy." Has been under veterinarian's care for distemper. Last seen with soldiers from Camp Adair. Call M. C. Cook, collect, at 287 or 133-W. Reward.

LOST—A blue and gold Ever-sharp pencil initialed B G at the 276th RSO on November 11th by Pvt. Ben Gri; Hdq. 3rd Bn., 276th. Reward.

PUBLIC NOTICE—Next soldier who starts hanging around here making love to my 18-year-old daughter is going to get in serious trouble if he does not leave my last case of bourbon alone. This means you!!! Max K. Goldbrick, Corvallis.

RIDE—to Los Angeles on furlough Dec. 1 and will take 2 or 3 passengers to share expenses. Pvt. Paul Rosenberg, MP, SCU 1911, phone 2879.

### EVEN FURLOUGH MATTER OF "DIG, YOU SINNER"

It was a busman's holiday for Sgt. Clyde Rytting, H Co, 274th Inf., when he went home on furlough. Seeking a rest from digging foxholes and slit trenches, the sergeant found that the first chore awaiting him back home was to dig a 150-foot trench.

## 362nd Infantry Will Hold Weekly Reviews

### 3rd Bn. Initiated Series Last Friday

The first retreat parade held in the 362nd Inf. Regt. since the return from Bend was staged last Friday by the 3rd Battalion. The high-stepping Third massed in their motor pool and then passed in review before their commander, Major White, to the stirring cadence of the division band.

The dirt and grime of maneuvers had been scrubbed and polished away, and from shoes to fixed bayonets, equipment gleamed in the late afternoon light. The troops massed in rigid array to honor the colors and then marched out in review at the ringing order, "Pass in review," of the battalion commander.

It was the first parade in a long time for the division band, too, and they forgot the jam sessions which they had given in the field to provide regular march music under the direction of Mr. Brann.

Weekly retreat parades by one of the battalions will be the practice within the regiment. Today the 1st Battalion will hold a retreat parade.

## As Division Moves, So Does Communication



RIGHT WITH THE first line of offense comes communications. The 570th Signal Co. show how fast-moving trucks spew out telephone wires as Pvt. Noe Gomez (back to camera) and Pvt. Dan Masterson "pike" wires off the road. On the communication truck are (left to right) Pvt. William Devall, who tags the wires; Pvt. Denver Bush at the winch; Pvt. John Schwartz, joining wires; Pvt. Harold Sargent and T/5 Merreman Woodhull, who inspect the unreeling lines.

## Through These Cables Flow the Messages



JOINING HEAVY CABLES through which flow all the battle messages of the Trailblazer Division are T/Sgt. Verna Reynolds (left) and T/4 Walter Petersen.

## 570th Signal Co. Has Modern Equipment

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Communications being the nervous system of any combat force and the Trailblazer Division working to be one of the best of those combat forces of the Army, it is expected that its communication system should be the best that American brains can devise.

Just such a system is the one that Major General John E. Dahlquist and his staff will have at their command when the 70th Division goes into action. The 570th Signal Co. will see to that, as they demonstrated that last Friday during a black-out problem.

Early in the afternoon trucks started shuttling men and equipment to a spot near the simulated division battle headquarters. Bearing huge reels of telephone wire, the trucks roared down highway and across fields, spinning out a network of lines as a spider does his web. Crewman with pike-poles guided the wires to agile linemen, who scuttled up poles and trees, to make them fast.

### Construction Center Works

From camouflaged trucks, signalmen unpacked the large message center, a completely blacked-out tent. Nearby, the construction center was opening telephone trunk lines and testing them on an ingenious board devised by the men under Lt. Myron Leszynski.

Other men, armed constantly with carbine and M-1, dug the pits into which the whole apparatus would be sunk and camouflaged. Thick, black, snake-like cables were joined to the forward control post. The whole process, which formerly took hours, was completed in a matter of minutes.

Messages by telephone, telegraph or teletype—all on the same wires—were soon being handled at message center. "My men are learning

## MPs Tell Tales of Dallas Servicenter

The Post MPs, who get around from one town to another and are really in the know, report that Dallas, Ore., offers the service man one of the best recreation spots among those located in the vicinity.

In addition to the usual facilities, such as game room, reading and writing facilities, snacks and refreshments and a bed for the night are offered absolutely free.

When the MPs recommend a place, 'snuf sed.

fast," observed Lt. Leszynski.

The car is a GI's dream of paradise. Cool when the weather's hot, warm when the weather's cold, the car is completely air-conditioned. That is not primarily to keep its crew happy, but because it is gas-proof so the enemy cannot anesthetize the vital nerves of communication. The air-conditioning apparatus is powered directly from the truck motor, but from an engine mounted on a trailer behind, comes the juice for the giant transmitting and receiving set in the car.

## 'Construction Center' Nerve Center of 70th Communications



BEFORE ITS PROTECTION has even been dug, the construction center is ready for action. In this Trailblazer photo T/5 Bill Pavlock, carbine on shoulder, digs the pit into which the whole set will be housed and camouflaged. Calls already pour through the switchboard that Pvt. Lloyd Alley (center) is operating while T/Sgt. Reynolds tests the lines before connecting them to the permanent board.

## Message Center Blackout



HERE'S THE INTERIOR of a blacked-out message center showing the table, at which Pvt. John F. Thompson sits, ready to dispatch messages by any one of several means of communication. At the telephone is Pvt. Lawrence Cartwright.